

observes, — 'I cannot but remark that Mr. C. possessed opposite points of excellence beyond most men. While he was generous and liberal to others, I have known him much wanting to himself. He has often, after walking in great pain and fatigue, come into his house faint and exhausted; rather than allow himself the accommodation of a coach; and when I have remonstrated with him upon it, he would reply, 'You know I have great demands, and enough to do to meet them.' Not that he did not see the mistake when too late to remedy it; and, had it been for myself or a child, he would have lost sight of the expence, and regarded only our relief: nay, perhaps the very next hour, his compassion to others would lead him to give to a poor distressed object at his door. Here was high principle, humanity, and self-denial. He was neither extravagant nor penurious; but endeavoured wisely to steer between both these extremes. He was abstemious to an unusual extent.'

Mrs. C. here anticipates an objection to the character of her deceased friend, as not having been sufficiently provident for his family; but this and every other objection to his general conduct, she maintained, could originate only in defective information, or the want of candour. In the latter case she addresses the objector thus:—'Restrain reflection: Go thou, and do like him. Go, like him, and mourn over defects in secret;—go, like him, and pray against them in the closet;—go, like him, and correct, and bring them into subjection;—go, like

him, and keep under thy body, thy thoughts, and thy tongue.'

Speaking of Mr. C.'s independent spirit, and of his refusal, in many cases, to receive favours, she remark, — 'It is to be considered that, not only when a single man, but at *all* times, his whole soul was under the influence of a sacred dedication to the grand object which he had in view. He was naturally intrepid, and did not appear to possess with men in common the fears and anxieties attending poverty. There was nothing which he would not have made a willing sacrifice to his grand object,—the Church; with a firm determination to avoid all impediments in the way of his improving and exhorting with all authority, in the midst of a corrupt generation, striving to become a light, and not a stumbling block among them. He was, therefore, while gratefully alive to favour and friendship; not to be fettered by any,—not to be shackled by obligations to the creature, so as to endanger his faithfulness; but with a dignified and Christianized independence he pursued his course, unconcerned as to what might befall him in the way. Thus he recommended himself to every man's conscience; and proved the reality of his faith, and the integrity of his heart.

His refusals, however, were not indiscriminate. When his necessities required it, and he saw no objection arising from the situation or disposition of his benefactor, he submitted to lie under obligations. 'Duty varies with circumstances,' says Mr. C. justly. 'Whatever Mr. C. perceived to